

## Iron County Register

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IRONTON, MISSOURI.

A medical authority says that in railway collisions the passengers who are asleep escape the bad effect of shaking and concussion.

An engineer declares that 50,000 people now do the work with the aid of machinery which needed 16,000,000 people to do a few years ago.

The total length of the Russian railway system on January 14 was 37,571 1/2 miles. In 1904 there were thrown open to traffic 673 miles.

Two stages fought a duel lasting more than two hours in the Bois de Boulogne, Paris, in full view of the public. Neither of the combatants was seriously injured.

It has been found that all the gun-sights on the King Edward VII, England's most powerful battle ship, are incorrect. She will go to Portsmouth to have them adjusted.

The organization of chemical study and research in Germany for industrial purposes was begun by Prof. Justus von Liebig, who set up the first up-to-date university laboratory at Giessen, about fifty years ago.

The Simplon tunnel engineers knew their business. Boring parties started at each end of the 12-mile cut through the Alps, and the other day they met midway. The tunnel means great things for Italy and Switzerland, whose governments have guaranteed the cost, which is placed at \$150,000,000.

With the increased realization of the benefit accruing from the handling of forest tracts by professionally trained foresters, there will develop a large demand for young men who have taken up this new and interesting active profession which so happily combines scientific study and commercial ends and has the attraction of an active, out-of-door life.

The Carnegie institute, which has the spending of the \$10,000,000 donated by the great ironmaster, has been asked to set aside a good-sized appropriation for the research work to discover an antidote for snake venom. It is probable that the request will be granted. For thousands of years the secret has been sought in vain.

Dr. William Osler, of Johns Hopkins University, has almost shaken society on its foundations by the declaration, in a scientific lecture, that nothing is accomplished in the world by a man more than forty years old; that men of sixty years should be retired or chloroformed; that American medical colleges are teaching hybrid systems of medicine; and that Europe is far ahead of the United States in medical universities.

Several spots have lately been discovered on the sun, one of which, at least, is remarkable for its enormous size of 70,000 miles. In other words, this terrestrial globe might be dropped into the central chasm as a pea into a thimble without touching the sides. The whole surface is changing and breaking up constantly. The other spots are two in number, each 40,000 miles in diameter, one at each side of the 70,000-mile spot.

Forty, as a matter of fact, is the age to begin, not the age at which to end. At 40 a man begins to realize that life is real, that knowledge is the only thing worth while. The man of 40 should begin his real life, his real study, his real thinking and his real work. If he has done anything before that and got a good start, so much the better. But let no man think himself mature at 40 or past the age of work and achievement.

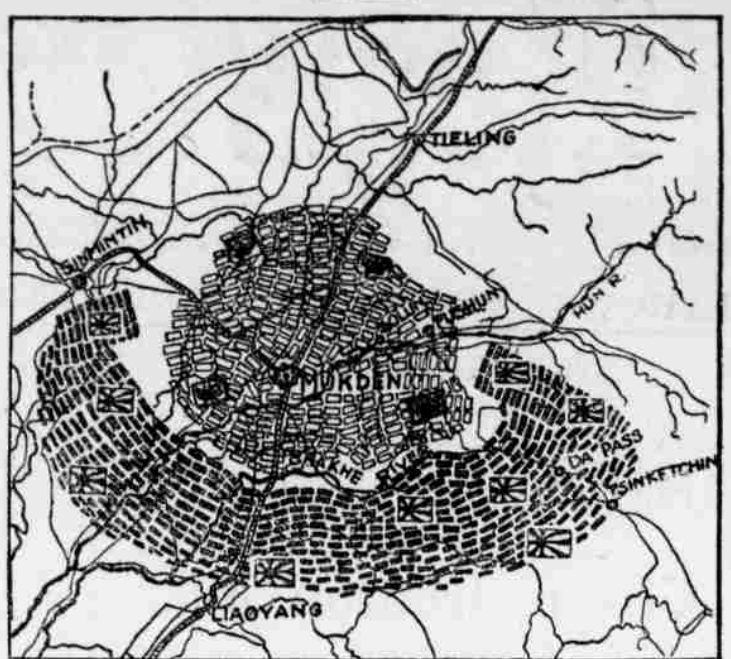
The appropriation of \$1,000,000 of the Peabody educational fund to the George Peabody School of Teachers at Nashville is a step by the trustees towards the dissolution of the trust which has administered the fund since it was created by George Peabody. The donation was subsequently increased to \$2,000,000, and placed in the hands of a carefully selected board of trustees, who have been using the interest of the fund for the education of both white and colored children in the South. Peabody was greatest of our early philanthropists.

John F. Wallace, the chief engineer, thinks a sea-level canal better than a lock canal. According to the estimates of the previous canal commission, a canal 90 feet above sea-level could be built for \$200,000,000 in from seven to ten years; a canal 60 feet above sea-level for \$225,000,000 in ten years; a canal 30 feet above the sea-level, for \$250,000,000 in 12 years; and for \$300,000,000 a sea-level canal that could be ready for business in 12 years, and absolutely finished in 20. These figures are somewhat in the nature of guesses.

The sensation created in London by Manchow, the human mammoth, is still unabated. The marvelous man is 9 feet 8 1/2 inches tall, and who at the appointed eating times consumes six times as much food as a common mortal with a pretty fair appetite. When nine years old Manchow was 6 1/2 feet in height. When the giant was transported from the railroad station to the Coliseum, where he is being exhibited, no roofed vehicle could be found to accommodate him, so he made the journey in a moving van. His child is of normal size.

Men are in the majority in the United States to the extent of 216 in each 10,000 of the population, according to a bulletin issued by the census bureau. In 1890 the excess of males was 242. The divisions of continental United States with the smallest proportion of males are the District of Columbia (47.4 per cent.), Massachusetts (48.1 per cent.) and Rhode Island (48.1 per cent.); those with the largest are Wyoming (62.9 per cent.), and Montana (61.6 per cent.). The even division of the sexes is maintained throughout the world.

## MAP SHOWING HOW RUSSIANS ARE BEING HEMMED IN BY JAPS



With Oku on his right flank and Kuroki on his left, and his center undergoing an almost unbearable bombardment from 11-inch guns, Kuropatkin is, it is believed, preparing to retreat to Tieling, 40 miles north of Mukden. The stores at Salun and Fushun already have been removed.

## A LAMENTABLE ACCIDENT

Seven Persons Killed and a Score Injured, Some Fatally.

Trains En Route to the Inauguration Near-Ended at Clifton, Pa.—Ohio Troops Suffered.

Pittsburgh, Pa., March 4.—Seven persons were killed and a score or more were injured, last night, in a rear-end collision of special trains bound from Cleveland to Washington on the Pittsburgh, Ft. Wayne & Chicago, carrying Ohio delegations to the inauguration. The first train, of seven cars, carried a battalion of the Ohio national guard engineers. It stopped at Clifton, eight miles west of Pittsburgh, to repair a hot box. The second train, with the same number of cars, carried the Tippecanoe club, of Cleveland, a band and 45 women.

The special trains were running close together, and the rear brakeman of the forward train did not have time to run back. The engineer of the rear train said the block signal light showed green, and he ran ahead at 45 miles an hour. His locomotive plowed through the rear Pullman of the forward train and half way into a tourist sleeping car just ahead. All the officers of the engineers were in these cars and all the casualties occurred in them. The wreckage caught fire, and all the forward train and three cars of the rear train were burned. New trains brought the dead and injured to Pittsburgh. Capt. Charles E. Pope was the only officer of the engineers' battalion to escape injury, and he will be in command of the battalion, which will return to Cleveland. The Tippecanoe club continued on to Washington.

**The Dead.**  
Capt. William B. Hendry, battalion surgeon.  
Lieut. Donaldson C. Schofield, of Company D, architect.  
Corporal James Kehoe.  
Private H. R. Held.  
Frank Pinney, aged ten years, son of Lieut. O. C. Pinney.  
Two unidentified men.

**The Injured.**  
The injured are all from Cleveland and include:  
Maj. J. B. McQuigg, both legs broken and otherwise hurt; probably fatal.  
George Reilly, may die.  
James Gray, colored cook; may die.  
O. S. Pinney, quartermaster, Collinwood, skull fractured; may die.  
Floyd Palmer, serious.  
Lieut. Clifford B. Haskins, of the naval reserves.  
Hugh Bidmann, general agent of a life insurance company.  
Lieut. Eugene Stearn.  
Lieut. E. W. Briggs, of the naval reserves.  
C. A. Bond, ward of O. C. Pinney.  
George Fannan.  
C. Orizter.  
Charles Sturgis.  
George Gerbrowski.  
Sergeant William McFrisb.  
George McCabe (colored).  
Lieut. F. Vanderberg.  
P. C. Davis.  
Capt. Geckler.  
Adj. Walter McArron.

## SHE WAS THE REAL ARTICLE.

Mrs. Eliza Sprader, Whose Father Fought in the Revolution, Dies in Iowa.

Iowa City, Ia., March 3.—Mrs. Eliza Sprader, one of three real daughters of the American Revolution in Iowa, died here, aged 97. Her father served under Washington, and was captured and imprisoned for three years in the tower of London. She leaves one son, Dr. John C. Sprader, of Iowa City, one of the founders of the college of medicine at the University of Iowa.

## Mrs. Margaret Moberly.

Trenton, Mo., March 3.—Mrs. Margaret Moberly, widow of George W. Moberly, former postmaster of Trenton, president of the old Union bank and donor of the public park in this city which bears his name, died here, aged 82.

## Is Getting Very Tiresome.

Jefferson City, Mo., March 3.—The senatorial ballot resulted as usual—no election. The vote was as follows: Cockrell, 74; Niedringhaus, 65; Kereus, 15; McKinley, 4; Schuddinig, 1; Dyer, 1.

## Reception by Gov.-Gen. Wright.

Manila, March 3.—Gov.-Gen. Wright, in his new capacity, held his first public reception last night in a lawn fête which was notably brilliant, rivaling in picturesqueness and attendance the ever-memorable farewell fête in honor of former Gov. Taft.

## Disturbances at Rostov.

Rostov-on-Don, March 3.—There were some disturbances here Thursday, and a few people were injured. The uneasiness among the population is increasing.

## MRS. JANE L. STANFORD DEAD

The Well-Known California Woman Passes Away Under Suspicious Circumstances in Honolulu.

Honolulu, March 2.—Mrs. Jane Lathrop Stanford, of San Francisco, widow of United States Senator Leland Stanford, died at 11:40 o'clock Tuesday night, 40 minutes after she was taken ill at the Moana hotel here, under suspicious circumstances, pointing, in the opinion of the physician who attended her in her dying hours and seemingly in that of the others, to poisoning by the administration of strychnine in a vial of bicarbonate of soda.

Mrs. Stanford herself, when found by a guest of the hotel, who had heard her groaning in her agony and suffering from convulsions, declared "I have been poisoned," and her last words were:

"This is a horrible death to die."

The physicians say that between convulsions Mrs. Stanford repeated the assertion that she had been poisoned, and said it was the second time the attempt had been made, the first time being in January, at her San Francisco home, and that it was this attempt which caused her to come to Honolulu. The dead woman was the wife of the late Leland Stanford, and together with her husband founded the Leland Stanford Junior university, which was opened in 1891. She also built the \$100,000 children's hospital in her home city of Albany, N. Y., which is supported by a \$100,000 endowment, and has contributed \$100,000 to the free kindergarten schools of San Francisco and other cities.

## FARMER STRIKES A BONANZA.

A Missouri Farmer Finds Silver, Magnetic Steel, Palat and Roof Tile, Etc., in Same Hole.

Bland, Mo., March 3.—Silver has been found at a depth of only three feet on the Hemme farm, six miles southeast of here. J. G. Hemme, who is a prospector, took samples of the ore to Rolla and St. Louis to be assayed, and was startled at the result. The assay showed: In silver, \$5.26 per ton; magnetic steel, \$1.50, and composition paint and roofing tiles about \$7 per ton; also other minerals of value. Hemme claims the ledge is 40 feet wide.

## IMMIGRATION OF JAPANESE.

The California Senate Would Limit the Further Immigration of Japanese.

Sacramento, Cal., March 2.—By a unanimous vote the senate, Wednesday, passed a concurrent resolution requesting and directing California's senators and representatives in congress to call the attention of President Roosevelt and the department of state to the menace of Japanese immigration. The resolution urges that immediate action be taken by treaty or otherwise, to limit further immigration of Japanese into the United States.

## HE HAD A LOADED REVOLVER

Suspect Arrested in the Vicinity of Tsarskoe Selo Who Claimed Kinship With Gen. Fock.

St. Petersburg, March 3.—The police at Tsarskoe Selo, who, since the assassination of Grand Duke Sergius, have redoubled the ordinary precautions for the protection of the Imperial family, have arrested a suspect, who claimed that he is a nephew of Gen. Fock, but whose papers are irregular, and who was found to be armed with a loaded revolver. An investigation is on foot.

## St. Louisan Mexican Superintendent.

Mexico City, March 2.—James A. Pearce, of St. Louis, has been appointed general superintendent of the Mexican Electrical Tramways Co., which operates the extensive system of electric railways in this city and surrounding districts.

## Pet Dog Saves Life.

Nashville, Ill., March 2.—The residence and saloon of Leon Jankowski was practically destroyed by fire, entailing a loss of \$3,500. The sleeping occupants were saved by a pet dog, which awoke them.

## Heap Big Chief.

Lawton, Okla., March 2.—Geronimo, the old Apache chief, has departed for Washington. Attired in plumed headgear, a gaudy blanket, beaded moccasins and other Apache splendor, he will appear in the inaugural parade.

## Ex-Senator Wolcott Dead.

Denver, Col., March 2.—A message announcing the death of former United States Senator Edward O. Wolcott, who has been sojourning in France, was received Wednesday night at the Brown Palace hotel.

## CANNON GIVEN LOVING CUP

Incident of the Closing of the Fifty-Eighth Congress.

Massive Loving Cup Presented to Speaker Joseph G. Cannon—Another to John Sharp Williams.

Washington, March 6.—The principal feature of the closing session of the house of representatives of the Fifty-eighth congress was the presentation of a massive silver loving cup to Speaker Cannon by the entire membership of the house and a cup to John Sharp Williams by the democratic minority. The presentation speech to Speaker Cannon was made by Mr. Boutell, of Illinois, and was punctuated throughout with applause, the members several times rising en masse and cheering.

He was followed by Mr. Williams, of Mississippi, the minority leader, who also delivered a most feeling and appropriate address.

Amid deafening applause Speaker Cannon rose to respond. He spoke as follows:

"A gift from master to servant humbles the recipient. A gift from servant to master embarrasses the master. A gift from equal to equal, when prompted by confidence and esteem, is 'like unto apples of gold in pictures of silver.' The men who compose the na-



HON. JOSEPH G. CANNON.

tional house of representatives, with their warrant of attorney from a great people, have no superiors. They are all equals. I am proud that I am one of you. I am more gratified to receive this gift than words will express. I receive it as a token of your respect for me as one of you.

"This loving cup, notwithstanding its magnificent proportions, is not large enough to contain my thanks, my confidence in, respect for and love of you, one and all."

When the enthusiasm subsided, Mr. Clark, of Missouri, produced a second demonstration by presenting John Sharp Williams, of Mississippi, the minority leader, with a loving cup, the gift of his democratic colleagues.

## COMMENTED UPON ABROAD.

President Roosevelt's Inaugural Address Commented Upon by the Paris Press.

Paris, March 6.—President Roosevelt's inaugural address is the subject of much comment by the newspapers here. The Temps characterizes it as a triumphal hymn to the American nation's grandeur and prosperity, and adds that it smacks of Roosevelt as an imperialist, expansionist and militarist.

The Journal Des Debats says: "President Roosevelt's address shows confidence in himself and also in the nation's destinies."

The Patrie says that the address is a highly inspired manifesto, and that President Roosevelt is conscious of the role which he is called upon to play, and also of his country's mission towards humanity.

## WORK ON THE STANFORD CASE

It Has Been Suspended in San Francisco Pending the Report From Honolulu.

San Francisco, March 6.—Acting Chief of Police Spillane says that the police department of this city has stopped all work on the Stanford case.

"Absolutely nothing can be done until I hear from High Sheriff Henry of Honolulu," said Spillane, "in regard to the result obtained by the chemists on their analysis of the contents of the stomach and the conclusions deduced by the autopsy performed on the various organs of the body."

## HAVE COMPLETED THEIR TASK.

The Chemists at Honolulu are Preparing Their Report.

Honolulu, March 6.—Three chemists who were engaged in making an analysis of the contents of the stomach of Mrs. Stanford completed their task Saturday night and communicated their result to High Sheriff Henry. They are preparing a detailed report, which will be over 500 words in length, giving the details of the tests made.

## An Increase of Wages.

New York, March 6.—A high official of the United States Steel corporation says that a general increase of the wages of the employees of that company is under consideration. The announcement will be made about April 1.

## On Mission From the Pope.

New York, March 6.—Rt. Rev. B. B. Broderick, auxiliary bishop of Havana, who has been entrusted with a mission to this country by Pope Pius X., has arrived here from Havana. He will leave at once for Washington.

## Threatened Race Riot Quelled.

Memphis, Tenn., March 6.—A special to the Commercial-Appeal from Sena-bia, Miss., says that the threatened race riot between a posse of white men and several negroes was quelled by the timely arrival of the sheriff.

## The Antarctic Expedition.

Paris, March 6.—Dr. Charcot, the chief of the Antarctic expedition on board the steamer Francais, has cabled to this city announcing the arrival of the expedition at Puerto Madrin, Argentina.

## ONE BY ONE THEY PASS AWAY

Maj. Henry A. Peed, Who Lived a Busy and Useful Life, Dies in Missouri.

Warrensburg, Mo., March 3.—Maj. Henry A. Peed, who fought on the Union side during the civil war, and was pension commissioner during the Cleveland administration, is dead. He raised a company in this county to serve during the Spanish-American war, and was elected captain of Company L, Fourth Missouri volunteers. After peace was declared he was made treasurer of one of the Philippine islands, and was serving in that capacity when his health failed, and he came home on a sick leave. Maj. Peed, during his life as a private citizen, was editor of several papers, the last one being the Journal-Democrat, of Warrensburg. His wife, who has charge of one of the government schools in the Philippine islands, arrived home about ten days ago. He leaves no children.

## PUSHED BACK NINE MILES

The Japanese Now Occupy Nine Miles of Ground Formerly Held by Russian Forces.

Gen. Oku's Headquarters in the Field, March 2, 10 a. m., via Fusan (delayed in transmission).—At dawn today the Japanese occupied Chantan after a desperate fight with bayonets. At ten o'clock last evening the Japanese penetrated the Russian lines on the Likaka river, opposite Chantan, and at two o'clock this morning they occupied neighboring villages. A detachment took Petalsze, seven miles east of Chantan, before daybreak, and the left wing occupied Wanputze on the Nengio river, northeast of Chantan. Altogether the Japanese have occupied nine miles of the Russian right's position.

## BANK WRECKER SENTENCED.

Arnold Beuthien, Cashier of the Wrecked New Liberty (La.) Bank Gets Four Years.

Davenport, Ia., March 2.—Arnold Beuthien, the young cashier of the wrecked New Liberty savings bank, was sentenced to a term of four years in the Port Madison penitentiary. It had been supposed that young Beuthien would be released on the same grounds as was his father, the president of the wrecked bank, who was indicted under a statute which provided no punishment for the offenses. One of the indictments against the younger Beuthien, however, was found to be based on another statute. Beuthien pleaded guilty to this indictment and was sentenced.

## PLATT AND DEPEW NOT HURT

A Negro to Be Collector of Internal Revenue in the State of New York.

Washington, March 5.—Charles W. Anderson, a negro, has been selected, and the selection confirmed by President Roosevelt, to succeed Charles H. Treat, collector of internal revenue for the second district of New York. The appointment will entail a salary of \$4,500 a year.

Anderson will have under him more than 50 inspectors, deputies and clerks. It is understood both Senator Platt and Senator Depew will "consent" to the appointment of the negro.

## YELLOW JACK IN CANAL ZONE

There Have Been But Seven Cases and Three Deaths Among Americans Since May, 1901.

Washington, March 3.—The following cablegram, dated March 1, was received by the Panama canal commission Thursday from Gen. Davis, governor of the canal zone:

"One death during past month. T. S. Clark, W. B. Ledyard died to-day. Among employees and families from United States of America seven cases yellow fever, three deaths since May, 1904."

## DEATH IN THE HONEYMOON.

A Young Married Couple Die by Agreement, But No Reason Is Forfeited.

Tusla, I. T., March 5.—Will I. Neet, aged 25, of this city, shot and killed his wife and then committed suicide in this city Friday. At the inquest it developed that the tragedy had been planned, as both had written letters directing what disposition should be made of their personal effects. They were married last Sunday in Longton, Kas., and returned Thursday from their honeymoon trip.

## A Honolulu Rumor.

Honolulu, March 4.—Owing to the prolonged delay of the chemists in reporting the results of the examination of the contents of the stomach of Mrs. Stanford, there are rumors in circulation here to the effect that no traces of poison have been found. These rumors, however, can not be traced to any reliable source.

## Ran in Sixty Sections.

New York, March 4.—A train leaving here for Washington shortly after midnight, loaded with troops and people going to the inauguration, was run in 60 sections, probably the largest number ever sent over one road. Every car was filled.

## Swam With Broken Shoulder.

Paducah, Ky., March 4.—J. L. Serrano, a worker on the Illinois Central bridge over the Tennessee river, fell 100 feet and swam nearly half a mile with a broken shoulder before rescued.

## Costly Fire at South Shields.

London, March 4.—A conflagration of coal landings belonging to the Tyne commissioners, on the north bank of the river at South Shields, Friday night, spread with great rapidity. The damage already exceeds \$750,000.

## St. Louis Police Shake-Up.

St. Louis, March 2.—The numerous robberies committed in this city recently have caused a shake-up in the police department, and it is said that Chief Kiely and Chief of Detectives Desmond are at "outs."

## IS ENVELOPED IN MYSTERY.

While the Chemists Have Found Effects of Strychnine, It Is Said They Have Not Found Poison.

Honolulu, March 7.—There is a report in circulation here which is considered to be well founded, to the effect that the chemists have failed to find strychnine in the organs of Mrs. Stanford analyzed by them, but that they have found indications of the poison, and will probably so testify at the inquiry, saying that while the presence of strychnine was not developed by the analysis, they are convinced of its presence.

There is no opportunity just now to verify this report.

The chemists have again resumed work on the organs of the stomach, and it is understood have written part of their report.

Monday the chemists conferred with High Sheriff Henry, Judge Stanley, attorney for the Stanford interests, and J. F. Hackfeld, who represents the Stanford estate here. This conference was held in the laboratory of the board of health.

It is likely that Miss Berther Berner and Miss May Hunt, secretary and maid respectively to Mrs. Stanford, will remain here for the steamer on which the body will be conveyed to San Francisco.

High Sheriff Henry has engaged a room at the Moana hotel in which to hold the inquest.

It is the intention to hold the inquest in private.

After a consultation with the chemists, the high sheriff told the correspondent that he knew no more as to whether or not strychnine had been found in the organs than he did at first.

## FIRE OUT OF THE CHURCH.

Ex-Senator Frank J. Cannon Disfellowshipped From the Mormon Church at Ogden.

Salt Lake, Utah, March 7.—Former United States Senator Frank J. Cannon has been disfellowshipped from the Mormon church for "un-Christianlike conduct and apostasy."

This action of the church authorities, which was announced Monday, followed a hearing in the city of Ogden before the local bishopric, with whom charges had been preferred against Elder Cannon, who is editor of the Salt Lake Tribune. The charges were based on editorial utterances of the Tribune, including "an address to the earthly king of the kingdom of God." Mr. Cannon admitted the authorship.

## COUSIN OF JAS. A. GARFIELD.

Death of Mrs. Thomas B. Needles, of Nashville, Ill., After Two Months' Illness.

Nashville, Ill., March 7.—The funeral of Mrs. Thomas B. Needles, who died at her home, after a two months' illness, was held from the family residence, Reverends S. P. Groves and Orin F. Culver officiating. Interment was in the Odd Fellows' cemetery.

Mrs. Needles was born in Ohio, and was a member of the well known and prominent Bliss family of that state. She was a cousin of James A. Garfield. Thomas B. Needles, the bereaved husband, has been a prominent figure in state and national affairs for a half century. At present he is a member of the Dawes Indian commission and treasurer of the Illinois grand lodge of Odd Fellows.

## FIFTY THOUSAND FOR LIBEL.

A Member of the Missouri Legislature Sues the St. Louis Republic for Damages.

Lexington, Mo., March 7.—Glover Branch, Lafayette county's representative in the legislature, through his attorneys, has filed suit for libel in the circuit court of Lafayette county for \$50,000 damages against the St. Louis Republic. The suit is based on an article printed in the Republic of December 14, which, Branch infers, reflects on his official integrity, relative to his relations with R. C. Kereus, whom he is supporting for United States senator.

## NEW SENATORS SWORN IN.

The "Stranger" Was Not There to Take the Oath, His Constituents Having Been Dejected.

Washington, March 7.—The special session of the senate, Monday, was opened with loud applause for Vice-President Fairbanks when he appeared in the chamber to preside. He at once rapped the senate to order and prayer was offered by Chaplain Hale.

The new senators, Piles, of Washington; Bulkely, of Connecticut; Flint, of California; Nixon, of Nevada; Burkett, of Nebraska; Hayner, of Maryland; Carter, of Montana; Sutherland, of Utah; and Hemenway, of Indiana, were warmly greeted by their colleagues in the senate.

## Killed His Divorced Wife.

Des Moines, Ia., March 7.—Fred B. Hoffman, a restaurant keeper, shot his divorced wife and then turned his weapon on himself, inflicting a wound which is expected to prove fatal. The woman died instantly. The motive for the crime was jealousy.

## Death of a Prominent Farmer.

Edwardsville, Ill., March 7.—Fredrick Bohm died at his country home a short distance southwest of Edwardsville, in his eighty-ninth year, from general infirmities. He was a prominent farmer.

## Railroad Agent Fatally Hurt.

Tamarac, Ill., March 7.—On alighting from a freight train, J. D. Plumlee, agent for the Illinois Central, fell under the wheels, his right leg being severed below the knee and his left leg broken. The injuries will probably result in his death.

## Touched a Trolley Wire.

Indianapolis, Ind., March 7.—William Hite, a young farmer near Irvington, touched his foot to an interurban trolley wire and was electrocuted. Death was instantaneous.

## VALLEY OF DEATH BETWEEN LINES

The Awful Aftermath of the Present Fighting in Manchuria.

## PROCESSION OF THE WOUNDED

Debatable Ground Between the Contending Armies Strwn With the Corpses of Those Who Have Fallen.

There was no cessation of the fighting between the Russian and Japanese armies in Manchuria yesterday. Russian reports state that at a distance the tide of battle in the immediate vicinity of Mukden seemed to be ebbing. The most that the war critics at St. Petersburg seem to hope for at present is that Gen. Kuropatkin has succeeded in re-establishing his line of retreat in the direction of Harbin. Word has reached New Chwang which, however, has no confirmation from other sources, that the Japanese are already north of Mukden with a large force and that the Russians are facing a disastrous defeat. There appears to be a possibility that Gen. Kuropatkin has drawn off a portion of his army from the center and sent it to reinforce the divisions engaged in flanking movements. Gen. Kaubars, the most trusted of Gen. Kuropatkin's officers, is personally in command of the Russian forces in the triangle between the railway and the Hun river.

Headquarters of Gen. Rennenkampf, near Oubeneppa, Saturday, March 4, 4 a. m., via Mukden, March 6.—The road northward is crowded, so far as the eye can reach, by a continuous file of two-wheeled Chinese carts full of Russian wounded, the best testimony of the valor with which the army of the east, fighting continuously for a fortnight, has defended every inch of ground over which it has been compelled by superior numbers to retire. Each cart bears from three to five wounded men, whose exhaustion is almost too utter for them to feel pain.

## Scarcely a Groan is Heard.

Scarcely a groan or cry is heard—not even the moans of the dying—only the dismal creak of the rude wheels and the thud of the ponies' hoofs are audible. Most of the wounded have their heads covered with Chinese blankets or dirty coats stiff with coagulated blood, hiding pain and dirty faces, distorted with pain, sunken eyes and expanded nostrils. Here and there is seen a cart with two wounded